President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

EC-6899. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho: Infrastructure Requirements for the 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard; Prevention of Significant Deterioration Greenhouse Gas Permitting Authority and Tailoring Rule" (FRL No. 9676-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6900. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmiting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oil and Natural Gas Sector: New Source Performance Standards and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants Reviews" (FRL No. 9665-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6901. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 2 for the South Atlantic Region; Correction" (RIN0648-BB26) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6902. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC001) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6903. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Porbeagle Shark Fishery Closure" (RIN0648-XC044) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 10, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6904. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2012 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for the South Atlantic Lesser Amberjack, Almaco Jack, and Banded Rudderfish Complex" (RIN0648–XC060) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6905. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Closure of the Delmarva Access Area" (RIN0648-BC04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6906. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule To Delay Start Date of 2012–2013 South Atlantic Black Sea Bass Commercial Fishing Season" (RIN0648–BB98) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6907. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Exempted Fishery for the Southern New England Skate Bait Trawl Fishery" (RIN0648-BB35) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6908. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Gray Triggerfish Management Measures" (RIN0648-BB90) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6909. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies, Monkfish, Atlantic Sea Scallop; Amendment 17" (RIN0648-BB34) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2012; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. BOXER, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 2104. A bill to amend the Water Resources Research Act of 1984 to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water resources research and technology institutes established under that Act (Rept. No. 112–189).

H.R. 1160. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey the McKinney Lake National Fish Hatchery to the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 112-190).

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 285. A bill for the relief of Sopuruchi

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 3276. An original bill to extend certain amendments made by the FISA Amendments Act of 2008, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BAUCUS, from the Committee on Finance, without amendment:

S. 3406. An original bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova, to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and to impose sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of human rights, and for other purposes.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Frank Paul Geraci, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York.

Fernando M. Olguin, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Matthew W. Brann, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Malachy Edward Mannion, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania.

Charles R. Breyer, of California, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2015.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BOOZMAN:

S. 3403. A bill to repeal the Federal estate and gift taxes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COATS (for himself and Mr. VITTER):

S. 3404. A bill to establish within the Department of Energy an Office of Federal Energy Production, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself and Mr. Burr):

S. 3405. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to treat small businesses bequeathed to spouses and dependents by members of the Armed Forces killed in line of duty as small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans for purposes of Department of Veterans Affairs contracting goals and preferences, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. BAUCUS:

S. 3406. An original bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to products of the Russian Federation and Moldova, to require reports on the compliance of the Russian Federation with its obligations as a member of the World Trade Organization, and to impose sanctions on persons responsible for gross violations of human rights, and for other purposes; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 3407. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the number of permanent faculty in palliative care at accredited allopathic and osteopathic medical schools, nursing schools, and other programs, to promote education in palliative care and hospice, and to support the development of faculty careers in academic palliative medicine; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

## By Mr. JOHANNS:

S. 3408. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from enforcing regulations pertaining to certain battery chargers; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.